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Dear DOJ:

I want to say so much, perhaps too much! Instead I shall offer a number of sentences, keeping them as brief as possible:

(1) As a consumer, I want all manufacturers of the products I purchase to enjoy the freedom to make those products better for me, without the jeopardy of Big Brother Interference!

(2) As a reader of multiple articles on this endless government harassment of Microsoft, I have concluded simply that a number of companies [all of whom share some specific monopolistic piece of the pie] turned to Government Officials to hamper and hammer Microsoft when this cadre of companies decided they could not defeat Microsoft in a marketplace controlled by the long-standing principles of the American Economic System! Like a child who decides not to slug it out with his nasty classmate; but to go home to summon his "big" brother to do the fighting for him!

(3) As a past student of some psychology courses, I think that Jealousy has had too much to do with this legal pursuit of a premier company. The multibillionaires in control of the "offended corporations" are envious of the astounding success of the richest! Even the Federal and State Governments fall prey to the venom of jealousy seeing what a well-organized and truly innovative Corporation can achieve; while these governmental entities prove largely feckless to their tasks and reckless with taxpayers' money in the process!

(4) In view of Judge Jackson's relentless pursuit of Microsoft and his self-declared antagonism for its officers, it bedazzles me that the Court of Appeals would uphold his Findings as unprejudiced and valid! The fact that he may have declared his belligerence toward Microsoft only subsequent to Court Proceedings cannot distract a thoughtful individual from the fact that those belligerent statements revealed his mindset and opinion throughout the entire course of this legal saga!

(5) By upholding the Jackson Findings, the Court of Appeals covered the "behind" of the Judiciary System; but, in its attempt to protect the Honor of that System, it failed to do true Justice! Could the Judges not see -or did they see but pretend not to see- that hostile statements made by Judges against Principals in their Courts display for the world not a "new prejudice" against a defendant just now judged to be guilty? Simple chronology cannot be invoked to defend a long-standing, vindictive attitude and mindset that dishonor the very Judiciary System the Court of Appeals tried so hard to protect. Despite obvious partiality on the part of the Trial Judge -obvious at least to ordinary laypeople- virtually all his condemnatory Findings were upheld!

(6) The slap on Judge Jackson's hand did not achieve Justice! The Jackson Findings were mortally flawed through and through by the prejudices of a judge who is paid to be unprejudiced! The rejection of a split-up of Microsoft as a remedy was too obvious, really, even to have taken up the Appeal Court's time! Judge Jackson had wrongly escalated his proceedings far beyond the scope of the suit itself. As a matter of fact, the essence of the case against Microsoft, ie. the bundling, was found by the Court of Appeals in Microsoft's favor! How can a man accused of murder be declared guilty of murder if he is shown to be an adulterer? How can a company accused of illegal bundling -and the finding of illegal bundling is subsequently overruled- be required to pay damages because it had bad business manners?

(7) We are faced now with a New World of Commerce! Competition is no longer valued as the arbiter of corporate success or failure. Now Government and the Judiciary are to be given carte-blanche to police and to punish those corporations that have the temerity to be TOO SUCCESSFUL FOR THEIR COMPETITORS' LIKING!

Thank you.

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